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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 03806.0449-02

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Continuation Application of:)

Michel BUREAU et al.)

Continuation of Serial No.: 09/341,350)

Filed: November 7, 2001)

) Prior Group Art Unit: 1632

) Prior Examiner: P. Brunovskis

For: IMPROVED METHOD FOR)
TRANSFERRING NUCLEIC ACID INTO)
THE STRIPED MUSCLE AND)
COMBINATION THEREFOR)

**Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231**

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before examining this application, please amend it as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please delete the title and replace it with: - A Method For Transferring Nucleic

Acid Into Striated Muscles - -.

Please insert the Abstract as provided on the enclosed sheet.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-84 without prejudice or disclaimer and add new claims
85-117 as follows: